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SUBJECT: BOLIVIA DEMARCHES

REFS: (A) STATE 221306; (B) STATE 214591; (C) PARAMARIBO 774

DCM delivered ref (a) demarche encouraging Surinamese government engagement with Bolivia only on December 13, as Suriname's Foreign Minister, deputy, and America's desk personnel had been absent from Suriname on official travel. Surinamese ability to engage directly with the Government of Bolivia is complicated by lack of direct bilateral diplomatic representation in either La Paz or Paramaribo, a fact noted by the Ministry in accepting the demarche. With regards to refs (b) and (c), the Foreign Ministry said that Surinamese consideration of assistance to electoral monitoring, if any, would be developed through coordination by its representative to the Organization of American States.

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